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Mr. Chris Neufeld
Vice President
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Walla Walla, WA 99362

Re: Updated Certificate of Compliance Number 109-17 for Blaze King 30.2 Series; Ashford AF30.2, Chinook CK30.2, Sirocco SC30.2, and Ashford AF30.2A Freestanding Wood Heater Models

Dear Mr. Neufeld:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is in receipt of your January 6, 2022, letter regarding the above-referenced Certificate of Compliance. This Certificate of Compliance currently includes the Ashford AF30.2, Chinook CK30.2, and Sirocco SC30.2 models. Blaze King Industries, Inc. (Blaze King) requests the Certificate of Compliance be updated to add the Ashford AF30.2A model. According to Blaze King, the Ashford AF30.2A model will be manufactured exactly the same as the currently certified models except for a cast iron door that attaches directly to the firebox. Blaze King affirms that the above design change will not cause the wood heaters within the model line to exceed applicable emission limits.

In accordance with the 2015 Wood Heater Rule, a manufacturer must recertify a model line whenever any change is made in the design that affects or is presumed to affect the particulate emission rate for that model (40 C.F.R. §§60.533(k)(1) and (k)(2)). However, pursuant to the Rule, EPA may waive the recertification requirement if the manufacturer presents adequate rationale, and EPA determines that the change may not reasonably be anticipated to cause heaters in the model line to exceed the applicable emission limits.

Based on a November 7, 2017,¹ test report by OMNI-Test Laboratories, Inc. (OMNI), a November 7, 2017,² Certification of Conformity by OMNI, and the information provided in your January 6, 2022 letter, EPA has determined that the proposed change is unlikely to cause the model line to exceed the emission rate of 0.8 g/hr. An emission rate of 0.8 g/hr meets the 2020 New Source Performance Standard (NSPS) for New Residential Wood Heaters, New Residential Hydronic Heaters, and Forced-Air Furnaces at 40 CFR Part 60 Subpart AAA particulate matter emission limit of 2.0 g/hr. Therefore, pursuant to §60.533(k)(1), EPA is waiving certification testing for the Ashford AF30.2A

¹ Revised on September 28, 2021

² Revised on September 27, 2021 and September 28, 2021

model, and we have updated the above-referenced Certificate of Compliance and the EPA Wood Heater Database to include the new model name. Please refer to the above-referenced Certificate of Compliance number in all future correspondence.

This Certificate of Compliance is valid for the above-referenced models and cannot be transferred to another model line without applying for certification. This Certificate of Compliance allows Blaze King to advertise for sale, offer for sale, and sell the above-referenced models through December 29, 2022. Thereafter, Blaze King may not advertise for sale, offer for sale, and sell wood heaters under this Certificate of Compliance without applying for and being issued another Certificate of Compliance.

All wood heaters manufactured or sold under this Certificate of Compliance must comply with EPA labeling requirements found at §60.536. These provisions require each wood heater to have a permanent label affixed to it that includes the month and year of manufacture, model name or number, serial number, certification test emission value, test method, standard met, and compliance certification statement.

In addition, Blaze King must comply with all applicable requirements of the regulation, including:

1. Conducting a third-party certifier-approved quality assurance program which ensures that all units within a model line are similar to the wood heater submitted for certification testing in all respects that would affect emissions and are in compliance with the applicable emission limit, pursuant to §60.533(m);
2. Applying for recertification whenever any change is made to above-referenced models that affect or is presumed to affect the particulate matter emission rate for the model line, pursuant to §60.533(k)(1);
3. Submitting a report to the EPA every two years following issuance of a Certificate of Compliance for each model line. This report must include the sales for each model by state and certify that no changes in the design or manufacture of this model line have been made that require recertification under §60.533(k);
4. Retaining records and submitting reports as required at §60.537; and
5. Submitting wood heaters for audit testing if selected by the EPA under §60.533(n)(1)(i) and (2)(i).

Failure to comply with these requirements may result in a revocation of this Certificate of Compliance and enforcement action, including penalties specified under the Clean Air Act. If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact the Wood Heater Certification program at WoodHeaterReports@epa.gov.

Sincerely,



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